

1        **BOARD BILL # 360                      INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN STEPHEN CONWAY**

2            An ordinance relating to parks; imposing, under and by the authority of Sections 644.032  
3        and 644.033 RSMo ., subject to the approval of the voters, a sales tax of three-eighths (3/8%) of  
4        one per cent on all retail sales made in the City of St. Louis which are subject to taxation under  
5        the provisions of Sections 144.010 to 144.525 RSMo, for the purpose of providing funding for  
6        local parks, in addition to any and all other sales taxes allowed by law; submitting to the  
7        qualified voters of the City of St. Louis a proposal to authorize the imposition of such tax;  
8        providing for an election and the manner of voting thereat; providing that if such question shall  
9        receive the votes of a majority of the voters voting thereon that such tax shall be authorized and  
10       in effect as provided in Sections 644.032 and 644.033 RSMo ; providing that the tax imposed  
11       pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be a tax on all retail sales made in the City of  
12       St. Louis which are subject to taxation under the provisions of Sections 144.010 to 144.525  
13       RSMo; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

14           **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

15           **SECTION ONE.**     Under and by the authority of Sections 644.032 and 644.033, there  
16        is hereby imposed, subject, however, to the approval of the qualified voters as hereinafter  
17        provided, a sales tax of three-eighths of one percent (3/8%) on all retail sales made in the City of  
18        St. Louis for the purpose of funding local parks, in addition to any and all other sales tax allowed  
19        by law.

20           **SECTION TWO.**     The following question is hereby submitted to the qualified voters  
21        of the City of St. Louis and shall be voted upon at an election to be held as hereinafter provided.

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1 The question shall read substantially in words and figures as follows:

3 **PROPOSITION P**

4 **Shall the municipality of the City of St. Louis impose a sales tax of three-eighths of**  
5 **one percent (3/8%) for the purpose of providing funding for local parks for the**  
6 **municipality?**

7 YES [ ] NO [ ]

8 **If you are in favor of the question, place an X in the box opposite YES. If you are**  
9 **opposed to the question, place an X in the box opposite NO.**

10 **SECTION THREE.** The foregoing question shall be submitted to the qualified voters at  
11 an election called and to be held on April 4, 2006, and if the question shall receive in its favor the  
12 votes of a majority of the voters voting thereon, the tax shall be authorized and shall become  
13 effective as provided in Sections 644.032 and 644.033 RSMo . The qualified voters may, at such  
14 election, vote a ballot in substantially the following form:

15 **PROPOSITION P**

16 **Shall the municipality of the City of St. Louis impose a sales tax of three-eighths of**  
17 **one percent (3/8%) for the purpose of providing funding for local parks for the**  
18 **municipality?**

19 YES [ ] NO [ ]

20 **If you are in favor of the question, place an X in the box opposite YES. If you are**  
21 **opposed to the question, place an X in the box opposite NO.**

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1           **SECTION FOUR.** The Board of Election Commissioners of the City of St. Louis shall  
2 provide notice of such election pursuant to Section 115.127 RSMo, shall provide the ballots or  
3 voting machines, or both, and conduct the election and shall ascertain the results thereof, all  
4 according to the laws regulating such elections. Upon approval of this ordinance, it shall be  
5 published once in the City Journal. Proof of publication of this ordinance shall be made by  
6 affidavit of the City Register and such affidavit shall be filed in the office of the City Register  
7 and a copy of said publication shall be attached thereto.

8           **SECTION FIVE.** The provisions of Sections 644.032 and 644.033 RSMo., 2005 are  
9 adopted and incorporated herein by this reference as if fully set forth.

10          **SECTION SIX.** The tax imposed pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be a  
11 tax on all retail sales made in the City of St. Louis which are subject to taxation under the  
12 provisions of Sections 144.010 to 144.525 RSMo.

13          **SECTION SEVEN.** All revenue returned to the City of St. Louis from the tax authorized  
14 by this Ordinance pursuant to Sections 644.032 and 644.033 RSMo shall be deposited in a  
15 special trust fund, hereby created, to be known as the Local Park Fund. All expenditures from  
16 the Local Park Fund shall be made pursuant to appropriation.

17          **SECTION EIGHT.** If any provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the  
18 remainder of this Ordinance, to the extent severable therefrom, shall not thereby be invalidated.

19          **SECTION NINE.** This being an ordinance providing for the submission of a question  
20 to the voters, it is hereby declared to be an emergency ordinance as provided by Article IV,  
21 Section 20 of the Charter of the City of St. Louis, and shall be effective immediately upon

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1 approval by the Mayor or its approval over his or her veto.

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